



Virginia Green Lodging is the Virginia Department of Environmental Quality's (DEQ) initiative to promote pollution prevention (P2) practices in the tourism and hospitality industry. **Green Lodging** encourages hotels, resorts, and other hospitality operations to be aware of their impact on the environment and to take steps to reduce these impacts. **Green Lodging** is a non-regulatory program, and participation is completely voluntary and free of charge.



Virginia Green Lodging Profile:

Inn at Hope Springs Farm

Willis, Virginia

Inn at Hope Springs Farm is a Louisiana Plantation style farm house located in Floyd County on 100 acres of trees, streams, ponds, pastures and walking trails. The Inn features six guest rooms and a cottage with four rooms. Hope Spring Farm is a real working farm that breeds and raises alpacas for their fine fiber. Inn at Hope Springs Farm is committed to environmental excellence and works to minimize environmental impacts whenever possible.

Green Lodging Activities. When visiting Inn at Hope Springs Farm, you can expect the following practices:

- 🌱 **Optional Linen Service**
- 🌱 **Recycling**
- 🌱 **Water Conservation**
- 🌱 **Energy Conservation**
- 🌱 **Green Events Package**



Optional Linen Service

- Train house cleaners on process of optional linen service
- Purchase water efficient washers and dryers
- Use non-phosphate, non-toxic, biodegradable laundry detergents
- Minimize the use of bleach and chlorinated chemicals
- Use linen and service providers that employ "wet" versus "dry" cleaning

Recycling

- Recycle glass, aluminum cans, steel cans, grease, plastic, office paper, toner cartridges, newspaper, cardboard, packing supplies, fluorescent lamps, batteries, and electronics equipment
- Compost food wastes

Waste Reduction

- Fill reusable shampoo bottles
- Instruct housekeeping to save and reuse unopened items

- Eliminate use of Styrofoam
- Use dishware and glassware to minimize use of disposables
- Provide condiments, cream and sugar in bulk
- Refill water pitchers to minimize single use bottles
- Donate excess food from events
- Implement effective food inventory system to minimize waste
- Purchase locally grown, organic and sustainably-grown produce and other foods
- Purchasing from vendors and service providers with a commitment to the environment
- Use electronic correspondence and forms
- Use “green” cleaners that are dispensed in bulk
- Purchase durable equipment and furniture
- Purchase “low-VOC” carpets and fabrics
- Use latex paint
- Use preventative maintenance on all appliances, HVAC systems, plumbing and vehicles
- Minimize use of pesticides and herbicides and use integrated pest management

Water Conservation

- Preventative maintenance of drips and leaks
- High efficiency dishwashers
- Low flow toilets and restrictors on faucets and showerheads
- Effective landscape management plan
- Effective storm water management plan
- Minimization of impervious areas
- Vegetative buffers around streams and ponds



Energy Conservation

- Install LED Exit Signs
- Have High Efficiency Heating & Air Conditioning and use ceiling fans
- Use natural lighting whenever possible
- Purchase EnergyStar computers and appliances
- Thermal-rated windows and insulation
- Use directional lighting in parking lots and walkways

For more information on **Inn at Hope Springs Farm**, see

www.InnatHopeSpringsFarm.com.

For more information on **Virginia Green Lodging** program, see

www.deq.virginia.gov/p2/lodging.



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